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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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SERIAL NO: 09/869,135 :  
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FOR: IMIDAZOLE COMPOUNDS AND :  
MEDICINAL USE THEREOF :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination of the subject application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 17 of this paper.